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## **AMENDMENT "B"**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 31, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the claims in view of the amendment and remarks set forth below. Attached Appendix A (a copy of the previously submitted IDS and two EP applications), Appendix B (four supplemental references), a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time and authorization to pay the 37 CFR Sec. 1.17(a)(3) fee of \$950.00 accompany this response.

**AMENDMENT**